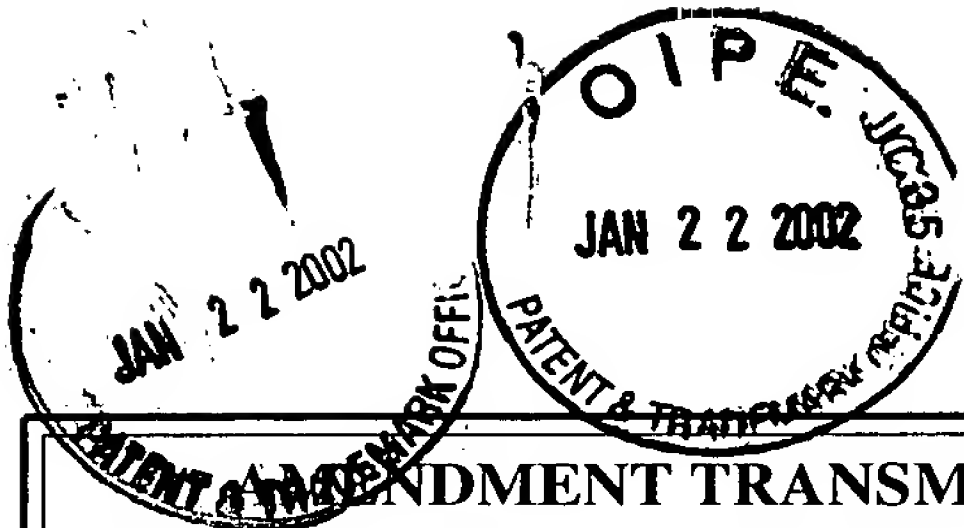


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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Sir:

Prior to the Examination of the above-identified application, please amend the application as follows:

In the Substitute Specification:

Please replace the paragraph beginning at page 5, line 23, with the following rewritten paragraph:

-- FIGS. 5A and 5B depict the method steps of a network management system initiated update in accordance with an aspect of our invention; and --